UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

5514

08/12/2005

FITZPATRICK CELLA HARPER & SCINTO 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10112

EXAMINER CHU, JOHN S Y ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER

1752

DATE MAILED: 08/12/2005

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/615,302	07/09/2003	Masahiko Kubota	03500.017375.	7090

TITLE OF INVENTION: METHOD OF PRODUCING MICRO STRUCTURE, METHOD OF PRODUCING LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD, AND LIQUID DISCHARGE HEAD BY THE SAME

\lceil	APPLN. TYPE SMALL ENTITY		ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE	
	nonprovisional	NO	\$1400	\$300	\$1700	11/14/2005	

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED. REFLECTS A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE APPLIED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE PTOL-85B (OR AN EQUIVALENT) MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN THIS PERIOD EVEN IF NO FEE IS DUE OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED.

HOW TO REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:

I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

- A. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown
- B. If the status above is to be removed, check box 5b on Part B -Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above, or

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

- A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or
- B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check box 5a on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.
- II. PART B FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL should be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Even if the fee(s) have already been paid, Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and returned. If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted.
- III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Utility patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.

PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL

Complete and send t	his form, together wit	n applicable le	e(s), to: iviali	Mail Stop ISSUE FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Boy 1450			
				P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virg	inia 22313-1450	• • • • • • •	
			or <u>Fax</u>	(571) 273-2885			
INSTRUCTIONS: This fo appropriate. All further con indicated unless corrected maintenance fee notification	rm should be used for tran rrespondence including the l below or directed otherwise ns.	smitting the ISSUE Patent, advance ord in Block 1, by (a)	E FEE and PUBLIC lers and notification specifying a new c	CATION FEE (if requ of maintenance fees v orrespondence address	ired). Blocks I through 5 s vill be mailed to the current and/or (b) indicating a separate	hould be completed where correspondence address as arate "FEE ADDRESS" for	
CURRENT CORRESPONDENCE	CE ADDRESS (Note: Use Block 1 for	any change of address)		Note: A certificate of mailing can only be used for domestic mailings of the Fee(s) Transmittal. This certificate cannot be used for any other accompanying			
5514 7590 08/12/2005				papers. Each additional paper, such as an assignment or formal drawing, mus have its own certificate of mailing or transmission.			
FITZPATRICK (30 ROCKEFELLE NEW YORK, NY		SCINTO		Certificate of Mailing or Transmission I hereby certify that this Fee(s) Transmittal is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage for first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop ISSUE FEE address above, or being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO (571) 273-2885, on the date indicated below.			
				transmitted to the USF	10 (5/1) 2/3-2885, on the C	(Depositor's name)	
						(Signature)	
						(Date)	
APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	F	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR		ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
10/615,302	07/09/2003		Masahiko Kubot	1	03500.017375.	7090	
TITLE OF INVENTION: MEAD BY THE SAME	METHOD OF PRODUCING	MICRO STRUCT	TURE, METHOD O	F PRODUCING LIQU	IID DISCHARGE HEAD, A	ND LIQUID DISCHARGE	
APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FE	E PI	JBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE	
nonprovisional	NO	\$1400		\$300	\$1700	11/14/2005 .	
EXAM	MINER	ART UNI	Т С	ASS-SUBCLASS]		
CHU, JO	OHN S Y	1752		430-156000			
CFR 1.363). Change of correspond Address form PTO/SB/1 "Fee Address" indica	the address or indication of "Fed dence address (or Change of 22) attached. tion (or "Fee Address" Indicator more recent) attached. Use	Correspondence	(1) the names of or agents OR, alte (2) the name of a registered attorney	single firm (having as a or agent) and the nam attorneys or agents. If	a member a 2es of up to		
PLEASE NOTE: Unless recordation as set forth in (A) NAME OF ASSIGN	EE	elow, no assignee d of this form is NOT (B)	ata will appear on t a substitute for filin RESIDENCE: (CIT	be patent. If an assign g an assignment. Y and STATE OR CO	,		
				Individual C	orporation or other private gr	oup entity Government	
4a. The following fee(s) are enclosed: 4b. Payme ☐ Issue Fee ☐ A cl				nount of the fee(s) is er	nclosed		
	small entity discount permitte		A check in the amount of the fee(s) is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.				
	f Copies		The Director is hereby authorized by charge the required fee(s), or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number (enclose an extra copy of this form).				
5. Change in Entity Status	(from status indicated above		Deposit Account Iva		(cholose an extra e	——————————————————————————————————————	
	MALL ENTITY status. See		b. Applicant is no	longer claiming SMA	LL ENTITY status. See 37 C	FR 1.27(g)(2).	
The Director of the USPTO NOTE: The Issue Fee and P interest as shown by the reco	is requested to apply the Issu Publication Fee (if required) vords of the United States Pate	ne Fee and Publicati vill not be accepted ent and Trademark (on Fee (if any) or to from anyone other to Office.	re-apply any previousl nan the applicant; a reg	y paid issue fee to the application is tered attorney or agent; or the	ation identified above. the assignee or other party in	
Authorized Signature			<u>-</u>	Date			
					No		
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-	-1430.				the public which is to file (an minutes to complete, including mments on the amount of ting Trademark Office, U.S. Dep S. SEND TO: Commissioner displays a valid OMB control		
onser are raperwork reduc		and required to resp	ond to a concension of				

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

APPLICATION NO	O. FI	LING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/615,302	(07/09/2003	Masahiko Kubota	03500.017375.	7090
5514	7590	08/12/2005		EXAM	INER
FITZPATRI 30 ROCKEFI		A HARPER & S	CHU, JOHN S Y		
NEW YORK, NY 10112				ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
•				1752	
			DATE MAIL ED. 09/12/2005		

Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 19 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 19 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (http://pair.uspto.gov).

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (571) 272-7702. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at (703) 305-8283.